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Dear Donna:

I am writing with my concern for the Unalakleet road paving project that was cancelled in the 06-08 STIP. The paving of our road in Unalakleet would be beneficial for the following reasons:

- 1) Health - In the last three years the number of trucks and vehicles have increased by at least 30. This has caused a great deal more dust to be flown around during the summer months. The dust problem has increased here in the last two years to the point where we've seen two big dust storms that I've never seen in my previous 30 years here in Unalakleet.
- 2) Safety of our children and elders - after even several days of rain, our potholes are so numerous, that it creates a washboard effect for those driving on it with ATV's.
- 3) Cost - The cost of mobilizing is very expensive. It would make the most economical sense to complete the paving of Unalakleet while the equipment is already here in Unalakleet. The equipment will be here to pave the runway during 06 and 07. Because of the cost associated with mobilizing the equipment, if it not done during this time, the chances of paving the roads will be in serious jeopardy.

For these three important reasons, please reconsider to put the Community Road Improvements and Extension Project # 16090 back on the fund list. Thank you.

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